Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* There were people who had longer service in the State.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* There were complaints which came from the Hon'ble Member.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Vehemently opposed by the other Members of the House.

Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram):* Is Rev. P. C. Thomas a Cochinite.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* He has come from Travancore.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Is there any Headmaster in another aided high school who is not trained ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Quite a number. I am quite certain that the Headmasters of many of the Roman Catholic Schools are not trained.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* The Hon'ble member for Education was not able to give us whether exemption in the case of this particular Headmaster is permanent or not. Can we have an assurance that if the exemption granted is only temporary, will the question of the heart-burn of these teachers be considered when further exemption is asked for.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I may inform the Hon'ble Member that this is the first occasion I hear of heart-burn; whereas none of these people have complained. They have probably acquiesced. I can assure the Hon'ble Member that if any injustice has been done and if it is possible to revoke such orders, Government have absolutely no objection to keep an open mind in all these matters.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* That there had been no complaint is easily answered. The Headmaster concerned is also the manager. However I thank the Hon'ble member for Education for his assurance.

THARAKAN'S LOWER SECONDARY SCHOOL, ARANATTUKARA

62. Mrs. K. Joshua *(Women-Trichur):*

(*a*) Will Government be pleased to state the number of classes both aided and unaided in the Tharakan's Lower Secondary School, Aranattukara, in this academic year ;

(*b*) of these how many are unaided ;

(*c*) how long were these classes remaining unaided ;

(*d*) when was the post of a Music Mistress sanctioned in this Institution and whether grant towards her pay is being made by Government ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) 16.

(*b*) None.

(*c*) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (*b*).

(*d*) The post was sanctioned on 29th June 1938/15th Mithunam 1113 and a Music Mistress was appointed on 18th July 1938/3rd Karkadagam 1113. No grant towards the pay of the Music Mistress is being given by Government.

Mrs. K. Joshua *(Women-Trichur):* What, is grant not given to these certain classes?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* It is in pursuance of a general policy unfortunately rendered necessary by the difficulty in finding funds. We have to choose between giving aid to our elementary school teachers who are a much worse body to give grants in respect of specialists and it was definitely ruled—and it has not been done secretly without the concurrence of this House, that we should prefer the aiding of elementary school teachers rather than taking everyone and try to give aid to these specialists. Government do not propose to give preference until they can find sufficient funds for all.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* This year will the Government be pleased to give and specially in view of the fact that in Travancore Music has been introduced as a subject and in view of the fact that we have got plenty of money ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* This year we have a wind fall. But it may not continue.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* May I make a request that the rest of the questions may also be printed in the proceedings?

Secretary to the Council : It has already been printed, in the proceedings.

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